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In re Appln. of: Daniel Thomas Torongo.

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b), Applicant cites the following references (each listed for the Examiner's convenience on the enclosed Form PTO-1449):

No.	Date of Publication	Patentee/Applicant/Assignee
2002/0121733A1	09/05/02	Lewis et al.
2002/0149167a1	10/17/02	Wiesemann et al.
2,972,489	02/21/61	J.E. Collier et al.
3,104,097	09/17/63	H.J. Kozicki
3,140,378	07/07/64	W.E. Benninghoff
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5,857,800	01/12/99	Nell
6,123,352	09/26/00	Muzio
6,255,631	07/03/01	Kichline, Jr. et al.

A copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2) is also enclosed. As each of the listed references is in English, no further commentary is believed to be necessary, 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3). Applicant respectfully solicits the Examiner's consideration of the listed references and entry thereof into the record of this application.

By submitting this Statement, Applicant is attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56. As such, this

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Applicant has calculated no fee to be due in connection with the filing of this Statement. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee deficiency associated with the filing of this Statement to a deposit account, as authorized in the Transmittal accompanying this Statement.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures: Form PTO-1449 (one sheet)
Copies of listed references

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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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